

• Welcome to WFHS •

Rising 9th Grade Parent Night





It's Wolverine Time!

We are so excited for your child to be a Wolverine!





LEARNER PROFILE



EXHIBIT STRONG PERSONAL QUALITIES

- ▶ Display integrity, perseverance, and drive to achieve personal goals
- ▶ Accept responsibility for personal actions
- ▶ Advocate for self, others, and the community
- ▶ Maintain wellness and balance in life



INTERACT EFFECTIVELY

- ▶ Communicate responsibility through reading, writing, listening, and speaking
- ▶ Work collaboratively with others
- ▶ Cultivate and maintain positive relationships



PURSUE CONTINUOUS LEARNING

- ▶ Master and apply academics for college and career success
- ▶ Make connections to discover new knowledge and ideas
- ▶ Develop talents, interests, and passions
- ▶ Use technology effectively to access information and to display learning



UTILIZE CREATIVE AND CRITICAL THINKING

- ▶ Define problems and create solutions
- ▶ Apply knowledge and skills to real-world situations
- ▶ Embrace innovation to adapt to an ever-changing world



ENGAGE AND CONTRIBUTE

- ▶ Connect to be a world-wise person
- ▶ Develop relationships across boundaries and cultures
- ▶ Interact in a multilingual community
- ▶ Demonstrate civility and respect differences in others

Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Presentation by Department Heads**
- **WFHS Overview**
- **CTAE Pathway/Electives**
- **Additional Academic Information**
- **Parent Portal Directions**
- **Review Upcoming Events/Deadlines**

Department Heads

- ELA- Carly Plonka
- Science- Adriene Carlisle
- World Language- Donna Duncan
- Math- Robert Tjong
- Social Studies- Chad Davenport
- Fine Arts – Josh Tyree
- CTAE – Laura Martin/ Bill Fink
- Special Education - Gwen Cheatham
- Health/ PE - Clayton Tillery
- ESOL - Crystal Nolan

ELA Department

Carly Plonka, Department Chair



NINTH GRADE ENGLISH CLASSES

9th Lit / Comp Honors	9th Lit / Comp
DEEPER THAN THE STANDARD	STANDARDS BASED
TESTS - writing and multiple choice / Deeper Analysis / Pre-AP	TESTS - writing and multiple choice
FASTER PACE	SLOWER PACE

ENGLISH OPTIONS BY YEAR

9	10	11 * EOC YEAR	12
9th Lit / Comp	10th Lit / Comp	American Literature	Advanced Composition
9th Lit / Comp Honors	10th Lit / Comp Honors	AP Language / Composition	AP Literature / Composition
			Dual Enrollment

ELA Extracurriculars

Creative Writing Club (9-12)

Young GA Authors Contest (9-12)

Leslie Smith (LESmith@forsyth.k12.ga.us)

National English Honor Society (11-12)

Carly Plonka (cplonka@forsyth.k12.ga.us)

Poetry Out Loud (9-12)

Lindsey Tumaliuan

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Oratorical Contest (9-12)

Randy Campbell

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Science Department

Adriene Carlisle



HONORS BIOLOGY

ON LEVEL BIOLOGY

DEEPER THAN THE STANDARD
(AP PREP)

STANDARDS BASED

TESTS MORE WRITING BASED

TESTS DESIGNED AFTER EOC
(MULTIPLE CHOICE)

FASTER PACE

SLOWER PACE

AP (COLLEGE LEVEL) STYLE
LABS

HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL LABS

SCIENCE OPTIONS BY YEAR

9	10	11	12
H. BIOLOGY	AP BIOLOGY	AP BIOLOGY	AP BIOLOGY
BIOLOGY	CHEMISTRY	AP CHEMISTRY	AP CHEMISTRY
	H. CHEMISTRY	AP ENVIRONMENTAL	AP ENVIRONMENTAL
	ENVIRONMENTAL	AP PHYSICS	AP PHYSICS
	EARTH SYSTEMS	(HONORS) ANATOMY	(HONORS) ANATOMY
	ASTRONOMY	PHYSICS	EARTH SYSTEMS
	OCEANOGRAPHY	ENVIRONMENTAL	ENVIRONMENTAL
		ASTRONOMY	ASTRONOMY
		OCEANOGRAPHY	FORENSICS
		EARTH SYSTEMS	PHYSICS
			OCEANOGRAPHY

GRADE	ACCELERATED HONORS PATHWAY	TYPICAL HONORS PATHWAY	WITH HS PHYSICAL SCIENCE CREDIT	WITHOUT HS PHYSICAL SCIENCE CREDIT
9	H. BIOLOGY	H. BIOLOGY	BIOLOGY	PHYSICAL SCIENCE
10	H. CHEMISTRY AND AP BIOLOGY	H. CHEMISTRY	CHEMISTRY	BIOLOGY
11	AP CHEMISTRY AND ANATOMY	AP BIOLOGY OR AP CHEMISTRY AP ENVIRO. ANATOMY	PHYSICS	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE OR ASTRONOMY OCEANOGRAPHY
12	AP PHYSICS AND AP ENV SCIENCE	PHYSICS OR AP PHYSICS	ANATOMY OR AP CLASSES	FORENSICS OR EARTH SYSTEMS OCEANOGRAPHY ASTRONOMY

Science Extracurriculars

Science Olympiad (9-12)

Adriene Carlisle (acarlisle@forsyth.k12.ga.us)

Science Fair (9-12)

Emily Addis (eaddis@forsyth.k12.ga.us)

Science National Honor Society (11-12)

Peter Valentino

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World Language Department

Donna Duncan



World Languages

Course Sequence

	Spanish	Latin
9 th Grade	Spanish 2	Latin 1
10 th Grade	Spanish 3	Latin 2
11 th Grade	Spanish 4	Latin 3
12 th Grade	AP Spanish Language	Latin 4 AP Latin

World Languages

Graduation Requirements

World language is not a requirement for high school graduation but may be required for college admission.

World Languages

Pathway

Students who successfully complete at least three years of the same world language may be eligible to receive a World Language Pathway Medallion.

* Additional requirements must be met.
Please contact Mrs. Duncan for further information.

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Math Department

Robert Tjong



Math Course Sequence

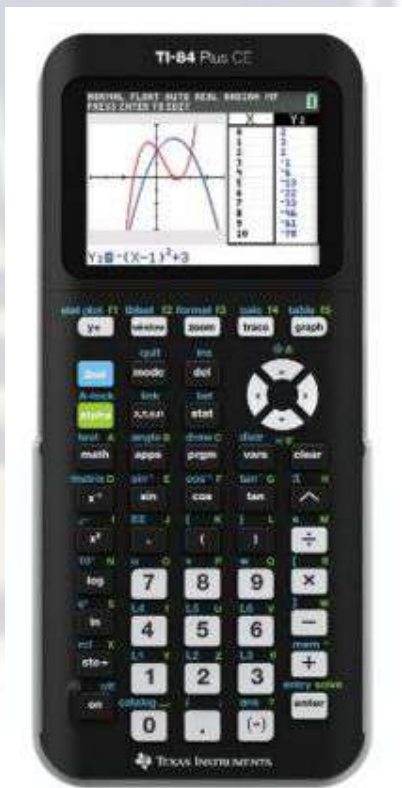
8 th Grade	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
8 th Grade Math	Algebra: Concepts & Connections Algebra Support: Concepts & Connection	Geometry: Concepts & Connections Geometry Support: Concepts & Connections	Advanced Algebra: Concepts & Connections	*Stat Reasoning *Advanced Math Decision Making
8 th Grade Math or Advanced 8th Grade Math	Algebra: Concepts & Connections	Geometry	Advanced Algebra: Concepts & Connections	*Pre-Calculus *Stat Reasoning *Advanced Math Decision Making *AP Statistics *Dual Enrollment
Algebra I	Geometry	Advanced Algebra: Concepts & Connections	Pre-Calculus	*Calculus *AP Calc AB *AP Statistics *Dual Enrollment
Algebra I or Accelerated Algebra I/ Geometry A	Honors Geometry	Advanced Algebra Honors: Concepts & Connections	AP Pre-Calculus	*AP Calc AB/BC *AP Calc AB *AP Stats *Dual Enrollment
Accelerated Algebra I/ Geometry A	Accelerated Geometry B/Advanced Algebra	AP Pre-Calculus	AP Calc AB/BC	*DL Calculus (Georgia Tech) *AP Statistics *Dual Enrollment

Calculator needed for Algebra and Geometry



TI-30XS Multiview
(Scientific Calculator)

Calculators needed for **Accelerated** Math Classes (AP and/or Honors)



**TI-84 Plus CE,
TI-84 Plus C Silver,
or TI-84 Plus**

AND



TI-30XS Multiview

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Social Studies Department

CHAD DAVENPORT



NINTH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES ELECTIVES

AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	WORLD GEOGRAPHY/ HISTORY IN FILM
COLLEGE LEVEL COURSE (REQUIREMENTS SET BY COLLEGE BOARD)	STANDARDS BASED
WRITING BASED TESTS HIGHER ANALYTIC SKILLS	TESTS ARE A MIX OF MULTIPLE CHOICE/ WRITING AND ESSAY
FASTER PACE	SLOWER PACE
YEAR LONG COURSE	PAIRED SEMESTER LONG COURSES

SOCIAL STUDIES OPTIONS BY YEAR

9	10	11	12
WORLD GEOGRAPHY (SEMESTER ELECTIVE)	WORLD HISTORY	U.S. HISTORY	ECONOMICS (SEMESTER)
US HISTORY IN FILM (SEMESTER ELECTIVE)	AP WORLD HISTORY	AP U.S. HISTORY	GOVERNMENT (SEMESTER)
AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY (YEAR LONG ELECTIVE)	ELECTIVES: AP PSYCHOLOGY (10 TH , 11 TH , 12 TH) PSYCHOLOGY/ SOCIOLOGY CURRENT ISSUES		AP MACROECONOMICS (YEAR)
			AP U.S. GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Special Education Department

Gwen Cheatham



Welcome to West!

- Hendricks, Liberty, and Vickery Creek have transition meetings scheduled in January to meet with Mrs. Cheatham.
- Case managers are assigned for 4 years to build relationships.
- Middle schools have a High School 101 brochure to share with you at your transition meeting to answer frequently asked questions.
- High school transcripts and high school diplomas for IRR students do not specify that a student had an IEP because they are working towards a general education diploma.

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Career Tech Department

Laura Martin



CTAE Pathways

Audio Video Technology & Film	Healthcare - Pharmacy
Computer Science	Marketing & Management
Cosmetology	Nutrition & Food Science
Culinary Arts	Sports & Entertainment Marketing
Engineering and Technology	Teaching as a Profession
Fashion Marketing	Web Development
Healthcare - Allied Health and Medicine	3DE Leadership Academy Junior Achievement

Welcome and Introduction

- A-CI - Justin Keck and Matt Woodley
- Co-Gr - Chrissy Morlanne and Michael Parker
- Gu-LI - Sharon Ryles and Beth Mewborn
- Lo-Pa - Shawn Gooding and Becki Britten
- Pe-Sr - Pat Finn and Malina Maldonado
- St-Z - Allison Rinehart, Lead Counselor and Jennifer Daniel

Class of 2027

Graduation Requirements

23 Credits Total

English: 4 credits

Math: 4 credits

Science: 4 credits

Social Studies: 3 credits

Career/World Lang./Fine Arts: 3 credits

Health/Personal Fitness: 1 credit

Additional Electives: 4 credits

West Daily Schedule

School Day: 8:25am-3:40pm

Schedule:

West Forsyth High School 2023 – 2024 Bell Schedule									
Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday (Even Block)		Thursday (Odd Block)		Friday	
Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time
1 st	8:25 – 9:11	1 st	8:25 – 9:11	2 nd	8:25 – 9:55	1 st	8:25 – 9:55	1 st	8:25 – 9:11
2 nd	9:17 – 10:03	2 nd	9:17 – 10:03					2 nd	9:17 – 10:03
Wolverine Time	10:09 – 10:46	Wolverine Time	10:09 – 10:46	Wolverine Time	10:02 – 10:52	WT Homebase	10:02 – 10:23	Wolverine Time	10:09 – 10:46
3 rd	10:52 – 11:38	3 rd	10:52 – 11:38	Wellness	10:59 – 11:59	3 rd	10:29 – 11:59	3 rd	10:52 – 11:38
4 th	11:44 – 12:30	4 th	11:44 – 12:30					4 th	11:44 – 12:30
5 th	12:36 – 1:56	5 th	12:36 – 1:56	4 th	12:05 – 2:00	5 th	12:05 – 2:00	5 th	12:36 – 1:56
6 th	2:02 – 2:48	6 th	2:02 – 2:48					6 th	2:02 – 2:48
7 th	2:54 – 3:40	7 th	2:54 – 3:40	6 th	2:06 – 3:40	7 th	2:06 – 3:40	7 th	2:54 – 3:40

Monday, Tuesday, Friday – Lunches during 5th		Even Block – Lunches during 4th		Odd Block – Lunches during 5th	
1 st	Lunch 12:30 – 12:55	1 st	Lunch 12:05 – 12:30	1 st	Lunch 12:05 – 12:30
2 nd	Lunch 1:00 – 1:25	2 nd	Lunch 12:50 – 1:15	2 nd	Lunch 12:50 – 1:15
3 rd	Lunch 1:30 – 1:55	3 rd	Lunch 1:35 – 2:00	3 rd	Lunch 1:35 – 2:00

West Grading

Report card every 9 weeks

Final Grades posted and credit earned at the conclusion of the course

Credit/Units: Year-long course = 1.0 credit....Half-year course = .5 credit

Grading Scale: Grading Scale

A (90 – 100) 4.0

B (80 – 89) 3.0

C (70 – 79) 2.0

Summative Grades (75%)

Formative Grades (25%)

Required Freshman Academic Classes

English

9th Lit/Comp

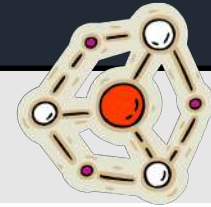
9th Lit/Comp Honors



Science

Biology

Biology Honors



Math



Algebra: Concepts & Connections

Algebra: Concept & Connections/ Algebra:
Concepts & Connections Support

Geometry: Concept & Connections

Geometry: Concept & Connections Honors

Accel Geo B/ Concept & Connections Adv

Alg: Concept & Connect

Fine Arts Electives

Fine Arts Electives	
Intermediate Band III	Beginning Orchestra IV
Beginning Instrument Ensemble III	Visual Arts I
Technical Theater III	Journalism (Yearbook)
Acting III	Guitar Techniques
Musical Theater III	Beginning Music Technology
Intermediate Mixed Chorus	

Other Electives

Phys. Ed.

General PE

Physical Conditioning

Drivers Education**/General PE

Drivers Education**/World Geography

Drivers Education**/ US History in Film

****Note fee to take Drivers Education is \$135**

Freshmen Academic Electives

World Languages

Spanish

Latin



Social Studies (academic elective only)

World Geography (semester)

US History in Film (semester)

AP Human Geography



Sample Schedule

9th Lit/Comp

Biology

Algebra I

Health/Personal Fitness

Band/Chorus/Art/Drama

Elective

Elective

Sample Schedule

9th Lit/Comp Honors

Biology Honors

Acc Algebra I/Geometry B

Health/Personal Fitness

Spanish/Latin

AP Human Geography

Band/Chorus/Art/Drama

Note: Social Studies is NOT a requirement in 9th gr.

What is an AP Course?

- **College Credit**
- **National Exam**
- **1.0 Quality Point Added to Forsyth Transcript**
- **0.5 Quality Point Added to HOPE GPA up to a 4.0**

HOPE Scholarship

- **3.0 HOPE Grade Point Average (GPA)**
- **Core classes**
- **4 Rigor Classes**
 - **List of rigor Classes on the WFHS website**
- **More information on gafutures.org**

Zell Miller Scholarship

- **3.7 HOPE GPA**
- **Core classes**
- **26 on ACT or 1200 on SAT**
- **4 Rigor Classes**
 - **List of rigor classes on the WFHS website**
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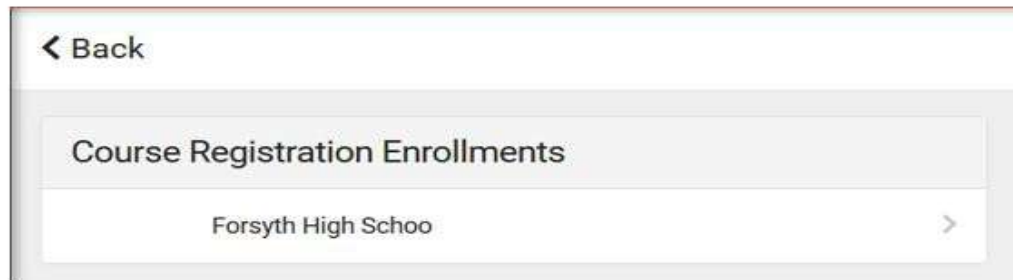
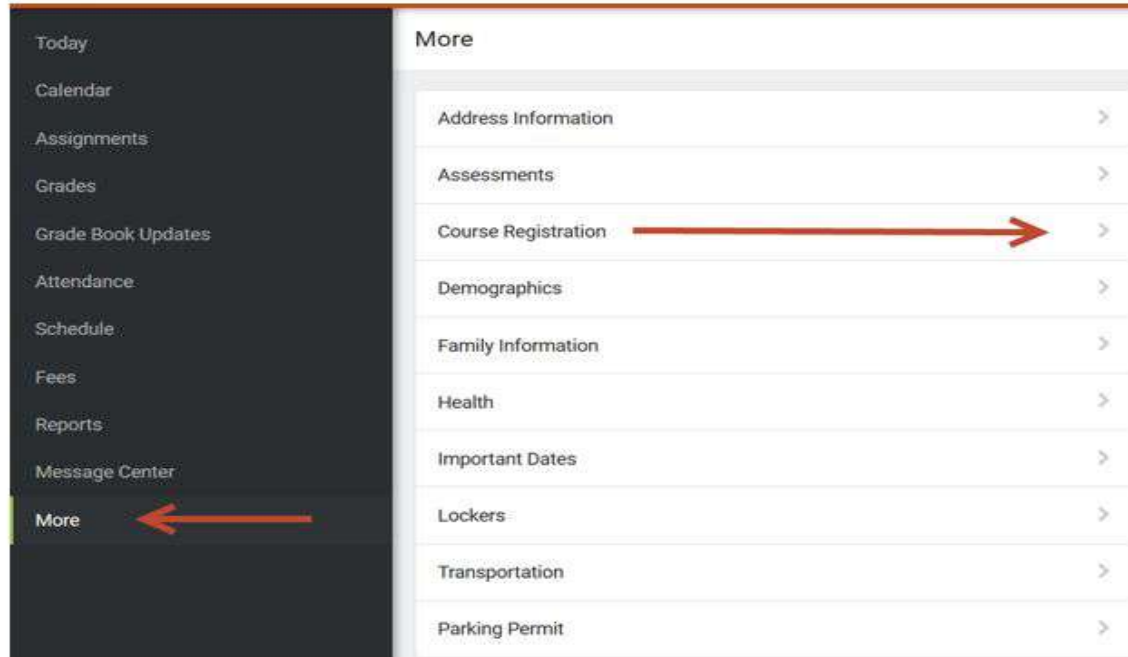
Keys to Consider in Class Selection

- ✓ How motivated are you?
- ✓ What kind of student do you want to be?
- ✓ What are your future goals?
- ✓ Do you push yourself to be the best?
- ✓ Are you persistent and determined when it gets difficult?
- ✓ How involved are you? Find a balance!

***school organizations *athletics *leadership
positions *community activities**

Log-In to Parent Portal

Please log into your parent portal account. IF you do not have a parent portal account, please contact your school you are currently attending. On the left-hand side of your screen at the bottom, select More. Then select Course Registration. Then select the school showing.



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71% complete

Units: 50/70

Course Requests

COURSE NAME	UNITS
▼	REQUIRED
Advanced Composition 10305y	10 >
Calculus 20315y	10 >
American Government 40005a	5 >
Economics 40205a	5 >
Mastery Band IV 801765y	10 >
Forensic Science 30445y	10 >

This screen will show you the courses your student has been recommended for next year. These will be listed under the title "required." You will also notice at the top of your screen the percent complete bar and units. You will be able to select elective courses until you reach a maximum of 42 units. All courses requested after 42 units will be alternate courses. At the bottom of the screen is a blue box - Add Course. Select this box.

Add Course

Print

The next screen after selecting Add Course will list all elective course options.

If you know the course number or course name you can type it in the search bar OR if you see it listed, select the arrow next to the course name.

71% complete Units: 50/70

Add Course

Search Courses

ACTION	COURSE NAME	UNITS	
+	Basic Agricultural Science 706105y	10	>
+	Food Nutrition and Wellness 702105y	10	>
+	General PE I 60065y	10	>
+	Intro To Digital Media 703305y	10	>
+	Intro to Digital Technology 708205y	10	>
+	Marketing Principles 702745y	10	>
+	Psychology 40305s	5	>
+	Sociology 40315s	5	>

A new screen will appear – IF you see Course History listed, this means the student has already taken or is currently taken the course. Do not select the course. Select back and make another choice.

71% complete Units: 50/70

708205y - Intro to Digital Technology

Course Average - Career Tech Credits: 1.000
Units: 10
No course description.

Course History ←

Year: 2019-2020
Grade: 11
Term:
Score:

Year: 2019-2020
Grade: 11
Term:
Score: 95

If you do not see Course History listed, then you can select either Add Request or Add Alternate at the bottom. You will only select Alternate when the units shown at the top reach 42/42

71% complete Units: 50/70

702745y - Marketing Principles

Course Average - Career Tech Credits: 1.000
Units: 10
No course description.

Once you selected the course, it will put a red X next to that course. If you selected the course in error or would like to change your select, just select the course again and a pop-up screen will appear asking if you would like to delete the course request.

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86% complete Units: 60/70

Add Course

Search Courses

ACTION	COURSE NAME	UNITS
+	Basic Agricultural Science 700105y	10 >
+	Food Nutrition and Wellness 702105y	10 >
+	General PE I 60065y	10 >
+	Intro To Digital Media 703305y	10 >
×	Intro to Digital Technology REQ 708205y	10 >
+	Marketing Principles 702745y	10 >
+	Psychology 40305s	5 >
+	Sociology 40315s	5 >

Delete Request ×

Would you like to delete this course request?

Intro to Digital Technology
708205y

Once you have selected enough courses - the completion bar at the top is 100% complete – you need to select at least 1 alternate course. You will follow the same procedure you did when select your elective request except you will choose alternate.

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100% complete Units: 70/70

60065y - General PE I

Course Average - Elective OR CORE Elective Credits: 1.000
Units: 10
No course description.

Add Request Add Alternate

Once that is complete select the Back arrow at the top. This will bring you back to the main screen and show you all courses requested and your alternates. You have the option to make any corrections then select the print button at the bottom.

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100% complete Units: 70/70

Course Requests

COURSE NAME	UNITS
REQUIRED	
Advanced Composition 10305y	10 >
Calculus 20315y	10 >
American Government 40005e	5 >
Economics 40205e	5 >
Mastery Band IV 801785y	10 >
Forensic Science 30445y	10 >
REQUESTS	
Marketing Principles 702745y	10 >
Psychology 40305e	5 >
Sociology 40315e	5 >
ALTERNATES	
Food Nutrition and Wellness 702105y	10 >

Add Course Print

Course Registration Timeline

Teachers will make academic recommendations for your student

January 17th	Teacher Recommendations began @ 8:00 am.
January 23rd	Teacher Recommendations close @ 4:00 pm
January 24th	Elective Portal Window and Academic Course Waiver Opens @ 8:00 am
January 30th	Elective Portal Window and Academic Course Waiver Deadline @ 4:00 pm
March 3- March 7	Online Course Verification to check course requests for next year

Course Waiver

If you are completing a Course Waiver Request to override a teacher's recommendation, ALL waivers are due

January 30th

Waivers will be completed
online **ONLY**

Counselor Help

- The middle school counselors will be your point of contact until your student enters high school. Please direct all questions to the middle school counselors.
- The high school counselors will be available on a walk-in basis for 8th grade parents/guardians only on January 20th. WFHS counselors will meet with parents on a first-come, first-serve basis. You won't necessarily meet with your student's assigned counselor.
- **This is not an excused absence for your middle school student.**

Friday, January 20th

Hours: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

West Forsyth High School

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Thank you for joining us!

